

School Board Community Outreach and Policy Committee
OEG IMC – December 5, 2016 – 6:30 PM
Minutes

Membership: Steve Obershaw
Colleen McCabe
Arlene Siss
Connie Valenza
Kris Brown

I. Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order and noted that the meeting was properly noticed.
- Minutes were approved as presented.
- Others in attendance were: Mr. Engh, High School Principal and Mrs. Reuter, Westview Elementary Principal

II. Community Outreach

- Superintendent Valenza began the meeting with a brief discussion on the upcoming School Board Coffee Talk event which will be at Westview Elementary School on December 19, 2016 at 9:00 am. The event will begin with a tour of the building. After the tour is completed, everyone is invited back to the cafeteria for refreshments. Once everyone is settled the school board members will update the community members on the school state report card.
- Superintendent Valenza submitted a commentary about the state school report card to the Platteville Journal and shared that commentary with the committee members.
- The committee discussed putting out an invitation for the community for a board member information meeting for possible school board candidates.

II. Policy

- Superintendent Valenza discussed Policy 144: Appointment of Board Member Representatives with the committee members. She explained the history of the policy and the duties of the board president within the policy. Steve Obershaw expressed concerns with the policy in regards to board members serving as a member of the board on unapproved committees.
- Mr. Engh talked about being the school liaison for the Platteville Scholarship Fund Committee. Mr. Engh explained that he and Amy Foote, High School Counselor both attend the scholarship meetings and offer assistance in any way possible. Mr. Engh shared his experience on the scholarship committee.
- Colleen McCabe explained how she was approached by a member of the Platteville Scholarship Fund Committee to be a possible liaison/point of contact with the group. Mr. Engh shared his experience with the scholarship committee and their search for a liaison.
- More discussion on Policy 144 that focused around the distinction between an official designee from the board to serve on a committee or as a parent that is also a board member.

IV. Other

- The committee members would like to see more district event schedules (miscellaneous items at board meetings). The board members could discuss member attendance at different upcoming events.
- Possible to have a community outreach calendar for the community?

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Recorded by Lynne Tanner